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County Employees Demonstrate "Purple Pride"

Contribute to the Ray Lewis 52 Foundation

(Bel Air, MD) - - Harford County Government employees demonstrated their "*Purple Pride*" on Friday with a bake sale at the County Administration Building in Bel Air. The purpose of the bake sale was to show support of County employees for the Baltimore Ravens and pay tribute to retiring linebacker Ray Lewis with a donation to the **Ray Lewis 52 Foundation.**

"Harford County is "Ravens Country", said County Executive David R. Craig. "Our county employees are known for their spirit and love for the Ravens as well. The bake sale was our small way of saying "Thank You" to the Ravens for an outstanding year and pay tribute to future Hall of Fame member Ray Lewis," Craig remarked.

The bake sale was coordinated by long-time Ravens fan Kimberly Spence, Chief of the Office of Budget and Management Research. Dozens of county employees purchased a wide variety of baked goods for sale to the public and county employees. All bake goods were made in Ravens colors or with a Ravens theme.

The 90 minute event help raise nearly \$700 for the **Ray Lewis 52 Foundation**.

The winning entries were Diana Nalls who donated Chocolate covered strawberries. Jennifer Boesch garnered second place with her Ravens cupcakes.

The County employees "Purple Pride" bake sale was one of two local "Purple Pride" and Ravens Spirit events. A "Ravens Rally" was held at the Bel Air Armory at the end of the day and marked the second consecutive Friday for a "Ravens Rally" in the county seat.

"Harford County is fortunate to have tremendous employees and they always look forward to show their outstanding support for the Ravens and the Orioles," said Mary Chance, Director of Administration.

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The **Ray Lewis 52 Foundation** (RL52 Foundation) is a non-profit tax exempt corporation whose mission is to provide personal and economic assistance to disadvantaged youth. The **Ray Lewis Foundation** is committee to enhancing the lives of todays at risk youth.

For more information regarding the **Ray Lewis 52 Foundation**, visit the website at www.raylewis52.com.

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